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SUBJECT: U.S. MARSHAL'S REPORT ON STATUS OF MENGELE  
INVESTIGATION

1. U.S. MARSHAL JOHN PASCUCCI HAS REQUESTED THAT THE  
FOLLOWING REPORT BE FORWARDED TO MR. DON FERARRONE, CHIEF,  
INTERNATIONAL BRANCH. U.S. MARSHAL'S SERVICE HEADQUARTERS.  
REQUEST [ ] MAKE THE REPORT AVAILABLE TO THE  
AMBASSADOR.

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY  
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
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NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
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CHIEF, INTERNATIONAL BRANCH, DON FERARRONE

INFO: O.S.I.

ON 19 JUNE, INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED THAT DR. COOPER OF THE  
SIMON WIESENTHAL CENTER HAD REQUESTED MEMBERS OF THAT MEDICAL  
TEAM NOT TO ENTER AN OPINION AS TO THE REMAINS OR ADOPT ANY  
OTHER TEAM'S OPINIONS.

THIS WAS CONTRARY TO THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO BY  
THE TEAMS. ALSO ON 20 JUNE A CABLE WAS SENT BY RABBI MARVIN HIER,  
DEAN, SIMON WIESENTHAL CENTER. A COPY HAS BEEN OBTAINED AND  
PARAGRAPHS 6 AND 7 FOLLOW:

"COMMUNIQUE TO TUMA AND FORENSIC EXPERTS MY SUGGESTIONS THAT  
BEFORE RELEASE OF THEIR FINDINGS THEY CALL A PRESS CONFERENCE TO  
DEMAND THAT J M'S FAMILY MAKE PUBLIC INTIMATE MEDICAL DETAILS  
THEY PROMISED THE GERMAN PROSECUTOR LAST WEEK BUT NEVER GAVE.  
SUCH MEDICAL DISCLOSURES PRIOR TO FORENSIC TEAMS' REPORT COULD  
HELP RENDER CONCLUSION. OTHERWISE THE FAMILY WILL MERELY ECHO  
WHAT THEY READ IN PUBLIC FORENSIC REPORTS. WIESENTHAL CENTER  
ALREADY CONCERNED THAT BASIC INFORMATION HAS ALREADY REACHED THE  
J M FAMILY.

"THIS IS NOT A TYPICAL CASE. MORE THAN SATISFYING THE PEOPLE  
OF BRAZIL, J M'S VICTIMS MUST BE SATISFIED TO THE GREATEST  
DEGREE OF CERTAINTY."

A STRONG POSSIBILITY EXISTED ON 20 JUNE THAT PART OR ALL OF  
THE WIESENTHAL TEAM WOULD WITHDRAW FROM A CONCLUSION.

UPON LEARNING OF THE ABOVE, THIS WRITER AND [ ] CONTACTED  
DR. TUMA TO BRIEF HIM ON THE DEVELOPMENTS AND TO ADVISE HIM THAT

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THE USMS TEAM WOULD SUBMIT A REPORT INDEPENDENT OF ALL OTHER TEAMS AND THAT THE REPORT, BASED UPON THE EVIDENCE, WOULD STATE THAT THE REMAINS WERE THOSE OF JOSEPH MENGELE.

SUBSEQUENTLY, UPON RECONSIDERATION, THE WIESENTHAL TEAM AGREED TO HONOR THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT, I.E., THAT ALL PARTIES WOULD ADOPT AND AGREE ON ONE PRELIMINARY REPORT WHICH WOULD BE TURNED OVER TO DR. TUMA.

AS OF 16:30 LOCAL TIME, ALL USMS TEAM MEMBERS, AS WELL AS THE GERMAN TEAM, STATED THAT THE REMAINS WERE THOSE OF JOSEPH MENGELE. TWO MEMBERS OF THE WIESENTHAL TEAM WILL SAY IT IS JOSEPH MENGELE, AND THE THIRD WILL SAY THERE IS A HIGH DEGREE OF PROBABILITY THAT THE REMAINS ARE THOSE OF JOSEPH MENGELE.

THE SUBSEQUENT REFUSAL OF THE WIESENTHAL TEAM TO FOLLOW DR. COOPER'S OR RABBI HIER'S DIRECTIONS WAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE ABILITY OF THE USMS TEAM TO CONVINCE THEM THAT SUCH AN UNWARRANTED POSITION COULD NOT BE SUPPORTED, AND THAT THEY WERE BEING MANIPULATED FOR OTHER THAN SCIENTIFIC MOTIVES BY THE WIESENTHAL CENTER, EITHER OF WHICH COULD AFFECT THEIR PROFESSIONAL CREDIBILITY. THIS WRITER DOES NOT FORESEE FUTURE CHANGES IN THE REPORTING SCENARIO.

THE LATEST TIMETABLE IS AS FOLLOWS: MEMBERS OF EACH TEAM WILL ARRIVE AT THE U.S. CONSULATE THE EVENING OF 20 JUNE TO FINISH DRAFTING AND PREPARE A FINAL COPY OF THE REPORT. THE REPORT WILL BE GIVEN TO DR. TUMA THE MORNING OF 21 JUNE FOR A PRESS CONFERENCE BY THE BRAZILIAN, AND POSSIBLY MEMBERS OF OTHER TEAMS. THEN AT APPROXIMATELY NOON LOCAL TIME THE USMS TEAM AND C.G. STEPHEN DACHI WILL HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE MAKSOUD PLAZA.

THE REPORT AND PRESS CONFERENCE WILL DEAL WITH THE FOLLOWING GENERAL ASPECTS:

- THE SKULL - NUMEROUS POINTS OF COMPARISON
- BONES - AGE AND STATURE EXACT
- TEETH - NO INCONSISTENCY WITH KNOWN RECORDS
- PHOTOS - SCARS AND MOLES EXACT.

WITHIN THESE FOUR AREAS THERE ARE DOZENS OF POINTS OF EXACT COMPARISON OR POINTS OF OBSERVATIONAL SIMILARITY.

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